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(*b*) what percentage this sum works out to the total demand in each district; and

(*c*) what number of processes have been issued for collecting arrears in each district?

A.—(*a*) & (*b*) A statement [a] giving the particulars required is attached.

(*c*) The Government have not yet received the information.

Alleged grievances of the ryots of Udaiyarpalaiyam zamin.

* 76 *Q.*—Mr. V. T. Arasu: Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state— 11-15 a.m.

(*a*) whether the Udaiyarpalaiyam zamin ryots have on the 18th of January last submitted a memorial to the Collector of Trichinopoly stating their grievances;

(*b*) whether the Collector has himself enquired into or at least caused an enquiry to be made into the same; and

(*c*) if so, whether the Government will be pleased to lay on the table a copy of the memorial submitted by the ryots along with the report of the Collector thereon?

A.—(*a*) & (*b*) The Government have no information.

(*c*) The question does not arise.

Mr. Basheer Ahmed Sayeed:—" May I ask whether the Government will call for the information as to whether any memorial has been submitted to the Collector and whether he has taken any action thereon? "

The hon. Sir Archibald Campbell:—" I do not think it is necessary to call for any further information than what we have already. I am going to Trichinopoly within a few days and I will have a conversation on the subject with the Collector."

Mr. Basheer Ahmed Sayeed:—" May I know whether any opportunities will be given to the zamin ryots to place before the hon. Member their grievances? "

The hon. Sir Archibald Campbell:—" I have had no request from the ryots to see me on the subject."

Mr. Basheer Ahmed Sayeed:—" In view of the talk the hon. Member is going to have, will he be pleased also to send for some ryots? "

The hon. Sir Archibald Campbell:—" No, Sir."

Removal of the cut in the salaries of village officers and menials.

* 77 *Q.*—Mr. P. V. Krishnayya Choudari: Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state whether the Government contemplate the removal of the cut in the salaries of village officers and menials at an early date?

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A.—The attention of the hon. Member is invited to the answer to clauses (*f*) and (*g*) of question No. 539 answered on 24th February 1933 from which it will be seen that the reduction in the pay of village officers and menials ordered in the Government Order appended to the answer to the said question is to be permanent. The reduction did not apply to village officers and servants who held the posts at the time of the reduction was introduced.

Minor Irrigation

Construction of a permanent structure at Jedarpalayam for the diversion of the waters of the Cauvery into the Jedarpalayam channel.

* 78 *Q.*—Mr. K. A. Nachiyappa Gounder: Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether there are any proposals to put up a permanent structure at Jedarpalayam in the Namakkal taluk of the Salem district to divert water from the Cauvery into the Jedarpalayam channel;

(*b*) if so, what they are; and

(*c*) whether the Government are aware that the existing temporary Korambu there is washed away often and results in failure of water in the channel very often and that too at critical times?

A.—(*a*) & (*b*) The answer to question (*a*) is in the negative.

(*c*) The Government are not aware that the facts are as suggested.

Reforms

Elections to the new Reformed Council.

* 79 *Q.*—Mr. K. A. Nachiyappa Gounder: Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) when the elections for the new Reformed Legislative Council are likely to come;

(*b*) when the electoral rolls for the same are to be got ready;

(*c*) what the qualifications of a voter are for the general as well as the landholders' constituency; and

(*d*) in what way the constituencies are distributed in each district?

A.—(*a*) & (*b*) The Government are not yet in a position to say.

(*c*) The attention of the hon. Member is invited to section I of Part I of Appendix V to the White Paper.

(*d*) No definite decision has as yet been arrived at as to the manner in which constituencies should be delimited.